# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re: § Chapter 11

BIG LOTS, INC., et al., § Case No. 24-11967 (JKS)
Debtors. § (Jointly Administered)

#### MOTION AND ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

Pursuant to Local Rule 9010-1 and the attached certification, counsel moves the admission *pro hac vice* of **Melissa E. Valdez** of the law firm Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP to represent the following entities in this matter:

Alief Independent School District

Brazoria County, et al

Brownsville Independent School District

Burleson Independent School District

Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District

City of Burleson

City of Cleburne

City of Grapevine

City of Houston

City of Lake Worth

City of Tomball

Clear Creek Independent School District

Cleburne Independent School District

Cooke County Appraisal District

Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District #2

Fort Bend Independent School District

Fountainhead Municipal Utility District

Frisco Independent School District

Ft. Bend Harris County Municipal Utility District #81

Galena Park Independent School District

Garland Independent School District

Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School District

Harris County Municipal Utility District #102

Harris County Municipal Utility District #191

Harris County Municipal Utility District #285

Hunt County, et al.

Johnson County

Kerrville Independent School District

Klein Independent School District

Lubbock Central Appraisal District

Midland County

Nacogdoches County, et al.
Plano Independent School District
Potter County Tax Office
Randall County Tax Office
Reid Road Municipal Utility District 1
Richardson Independent School District
Titus County Appraisal District, et al.
Tomball Independent School District
Tyler Independent School District
Weslaco Independent School District
Wichita County Tax Office

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## CERTIFICATION BY COUNSEL TO BE ADMITTED PRO HAC VICE

Pursuant to Local Rule 9010-1, I certify that I am eligible for admission to this Court, am admitted, practicing and in good standing as a member of the State Bar of Texas, the Western District of Texas District and Bankruptcy Courts, the Eastern District of Texas District and Bankruptcy Courts, and the Southern District of Texas District and Bankruptcy Courts, and submit to the disciplinary jurisdiction of this Court for any alleged misconduct which occurs in the preparation or course of this action. I also certify that I am generally familiar with this Court's Local Rules and with the Standing Order for District Court Fund revised 12/21/23. I further certify that the fee of \$50.00 has been paid to the Clerk of Court for District Court.

### /s/ Melissa E. Valdez

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#### **ORDER GRANTING MOTION**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED counsel's motion for admission pro hac vice is granted.

U. KATE STICKLES
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Dated: June 5th, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware